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Thanks Kimberly, The staff people we will have working on this for now are Chen Wen and Jenna Larkin. I really appreciate the help.

- dan

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Great to hear from you, Dan! I hope you're well. Things here are good. Still learning a lot, as is usual in OCSPP, and lately the topic has been PFAS. Thuy Nguyen, the BC at BEAD's Analytical Chemistry Lab, has done the bulk of the OPP work on PFAS in pesticide product containers. She can share with you the status, or have one of her staff get in touch with you.

Ed did speak with HCPA, and, although I don't have any record of that conversation, I do have contact names. We've also spoken with the Ag Container Recycling Council about the issue, FDA, the American Chemistry Council, and Crop Life. I'll send the names of the folks we've spoken with. I'll also forward a record of our most recent weekly internal conversation with OECA, OPPT, and OPP (and an invite, I presume?) which includes a link to a document where I had been recording those conversations.

This might be enough to get you started? Let me know if you need more. We've done a lot of testing, but not a lot on the container issue more broadly.

Talk soon,
Kimberly

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Hi Kimberly,

Our paths cross again. I'm glad and hope all is well with you. I have been asked to have someone on my staff look into the use of perfluorinated compounds in product containers. I have been told that you have done quite a bit in this area already from a pesticides perspective, and that Ed Messina may have had a conversation with some folks at HCPA to better understand their plans to get their arms around the scope of this issue. Is that correct? If so, any info that you can share would be appreciated.

Also, so that I can understand your work so far, and avoid duplication, could you please put me in touch with the people in your group who have worked on these issues? I'd like to put them in touch with the person in my branch who I am assigning to work on this issue.

Thanks so much.

So, how are things in OPP and for you?

- Dan

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